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## LEHI CITY CELEBRATES ARBOR DAY AT LOCAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

New Trees Planted and City Park Name Chosen at Traverse Mountain Elementary

**Lehi, Utah | April 17, 2014** – In conjunction with Beautify Lehi Week and to celebrate Arbor Day, the Lehi Parks Division will donate and plant seven new trees at Traverse Mountain Elementary School on Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. “We love the opportunity to educate a large number of children about the importance of trees and how to properly plant and take care of them. Each year we select a different school to have for the event. Eventually, we will visit every school in the City boundaries,” commented Steve Marchbanks, Parks Superintendent. Marchbanks continued, “Lehi City has been an official Tree City, USA since 2008, and we work hard to achieve that every year.”



In conjunction with the Arbor Day event, one lucky student will get the chance to name the new Lehi City Park that is located on the property southwest of the elementary school. For the “Name the Park Contest,” each student had the chance to submit what he or she thinks the name of the new park should be, and the students responded in large numbers.

“We had about 300 suggestions overall. The students came up with some really creative names, including Space Unicorn and Sugar Cube”, said Erin Wells, Special Event Coordinator at the City. “The Parks, Trails, and Trees Committee will make a final selection, and we will announce the winner at the event on Monday. The student whose park name is chosen will get a \$25 gift card to Thanksgiving Point and his or her class will win an ice cream party,” said Wells.

Ground will be broken on the new park in the coming months, and students will get a chance to play on the park by the end of the year.

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